

Financial Assistance

“I am thankful for people who give money to Girl Scouts. I will make good decisions and do great things because I am a Girl Scout.”

— Jenna,
Recipient of Financial Assistance

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THE NEED

GSHPA’s Financial Assistance Program ensures that no girl is turned away from life-changing Girl Scout programming because of her family’s financial circumstances.

The average annual household income of girls who have applied for and received financial assistance is \$23,532.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

We never want fees to be a barrier for a girl to have the Girl Scout leadership experience. Based on the availability of funds, girls who qualify for free or reduced school lunches also qualify for financial assistance at GSHPA. Each year more than \$235,000 is provided to help with the cost of everything from annual membership fees to covering the cost of uniforms.

Your support gives girls who lack the financial resources, the chance to participate in Girl Scouts.

40%
of girls are living
in low-income
households

19%
of girls are
living
in poverty

(The State of Girls 2017: Emerging Truths and Troubling Trends, Girl Scout Research Institute, 2017)

“While I LOVED going to day camp as a Girl Scout, I longed to go to ‘sleepover’ camp but my parents could not afford the cost. Each day when the bus with the day campers would leave camp, the ‘sleepover’ campers would see us off. I so longed to be one of those ‘sleepover’ campers.”

— Girl Scout Alumna

